Listing of the Claims

1. (Cancelled) A method for accessing a networked printer comprising:

    providing print job information to the networked printer;

    receiving a request for print job data; and

    providing print job data in response to the request.

2. (Cancelled) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising:

    issuing an enumerate-queue command to the networked printer to obtain

    information regarding a localized print queue associated with the networked

    printer.

3. (Cancelled) A method according to Claim 2, further comprising:

    receiving a response to the enumerate-queue command, wherein the response

    comprises a number of element in the print queue, an order of elements in the

    print queue scheduled to be printed, the order that completed jobs in the print

    queue were printed, and an estimated time that a print job will complete printing

    or a time that the print job actually completed printing.

4. (Cancelled) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the request for print job data is a

    transmit job command.

5. (Cancelled) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising

initiating a connection with the networked printer; and

closing the connection with the networked printer after sending the print job

information.

6. (Cancelled) A method according to Claim 1, further comprising:

sending a connection request to the network printer, wherein the network printer

closes the connection after queuing the print job information.

7. (Cancelled) A system for accessing a networked printer comprising:

means for providing print job information to the networked printer;

means for receiving a request for print job data; and

means for providing print job data in response to the request.

8. (Cancelled) A system according to Claim 7, further comprising:

means for issuing an enumerate-queue command to the networked printer to

obtain information regarding a localized print queue associated with the

networked printer.

9. (Cancelled) A system according to Claim 8, further comprising:

means for receiving a response to the enumerate-queue command, wherein the

response comprises a number of element in the print queue, an order of elements

in the print queue scheduled to be printed, the order that completed jobs in the

print queue were printed, and an estimated time that a print job will complete

printing or a time that the print job actually completed printing.

10. (Cancelled) A system according to Claim 7, wherein the request for print job data is a

transmit job command.

11. (Cancelled) A system according to Claim 7, further comprising

means for initiating a connection with the networked printer; and

means for closing the connection with the networked printer after sending the

print job information.

12. (Cancelled) A system according to Claim 7, further comprising:

means for sending a connection request to the network printer, wherein the

network printer closes the connection after queuing the print job information.

13. (Previously Presented) A network printing system comprising:

a printer connected to a network for receiving and printing print jobs in response

to print requests from host computers, said printer including:

a localized print queue for storing job information for each of said host

computers attempting to gain print access of said printer; and

a facility for establishing communications with a host computer from which a particular print request had been received for the purpose of requesting print job content when said particular print request has reached the top of said localized print queue.

14. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 13, wherein said printer initiates a print connection with one of said host computers corresponding to said job information at a top of said localized print queue when said printer becomes available.

15. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 13, further comprising a plurality of network services protocol/ports for connecting between said host computers and said printer.

16. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 15, wherein said network services protocol/ports comprise imaging device protocol (IDP) ports and non-IDP ports.

17. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 16, further comprising an IDP emulator for emulating IDP print requests from non-IDP ports so that both IDP and non-IDP print requests may be queued in said localized print queue.

18. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 17, wherein job information stored in said localized print queue comprises the print job name, creator application, estimated

print time, number of pages to print, number of pages in print job, document status, image

content and media.

19. (Previously Presented) A network printing system comprising:

a printer connected to a network for receiving and printing print jobs in response

to print requests from host computers, said printer including a localized print

queue for receiving print job information; and

a facility for communicating with the host computer associated with the print

request at the top of the queue to request that print job content be sent from said

host computer to said network printing system.

20. (Original) A network printing system according to claim 19, wherein said localized print

queue stores job information for each of said host computers attempting to gain print access

of said printer.

21. (Previously Presented) A method of executing print job requests from a plurality of

networked host computers comprising the steps of:

receiving print job requests comprising print job information and placing said

print job requests in a localized queue;

sending a request for print job content to the host computer associated with a

particular print job request when said print job request has reached the top of said

queue;

receiving said print job content from said host computer; and

printing said print job content.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 21 further comprising the step of re-ordering said localized queue according to one or more predetermined criteria.